

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Cantor *et al.*

Application No.: 09/395,409

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Title: SOLID PHASE SEQUENCING OF  
BIOPOLYMERS

Examiner: Heather Calamita

Group Art Unit: 1637

Conf. No.: 6005

Mail Stop Amendment  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

This Amendment is filed in response to a final Office action dated October 26, 2009, setting a shortened statutory time for response expiring on January 26, 2010. This submission is timely filed on or before March 26, 2010 with payment for a two-month extension of time. The Office rejected claims 1, 2, 4-39, 43-49, 51-54, 58-60, 63-76, 128, 145, 148 and 149 in the Office action. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection and the following amendments and remarks are offered in response. Entry of the amendments respectfully is requested as this submission places the rejected claims in better form for consideration on any appeal that may be filed. Reconsideration respectfully is requested.